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JENEARY, MOORE, DOLECHECK, BAXTER, WORTHAN, and

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- 1 A Concurrent Resolution honoring the memory of Harold
- 2 Keller as one of the Marines who raised the United
- 3 States flag at Iwo Jima.
- WHEREAS, Harold Keller, born and raised in Brooklyn,
- 5 Iowa, enlisted in the United States Marines following
- 6 the attack on Pearl Harbor and the United States
- 7 entrance into World War II; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Corporal Harold Keller served and fought as
- 9 a Marine in several battles during the Allied offensive
- 10 in the Pacific; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Corporal Keller was a part of the force
- 12 that landed and fought on Iwo Jima, one of the fiercest
- 13 and bloodiest battles of the Pacific theater; and
- 14 WHEREAS, on February 23, 1945, photographer Joe
- 15 Rosenthal captured the image of six Marines raising the
- 16 United States flag on Mount Suribachi indicating the
- 17 Allies had won the battle of Iwo Jima; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the iconic photograph of Marines raising
- 19 the United States flag at Iwo Jima became a powerful
- 20 symbol of the determination of all who served and

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- 21 fought in the Pacific theater, and in all theaters of
- 22 war, during World War II; and
- 23 WHEREAS, recent historical research has determined
- 24 that one of the Marines in that iconic photograph was
- 25 Corporal Keller; NOW THEREFORE,
- 26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE
- 27 SENATE CONCURRING, That the General Assembly recognizes
- 28 and honors the memory of Harold Keller as one of the
- 1 six United States Marines who raised the United States
- 2 flag atop Mount Suribachi during the battle of Iwo Jima
- 3 in World War II.